Production of Soyabean

796. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that soyabean has a tremendous potential for meeting protein deficiency in the masses of the country;

(b) if so, the States where soyabean is grown and has become popular;

(c) the quantity of soyabean exported during the last two years; and

(d) the details of Government's plans to increase its production and export?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Soyabean is grown in the State of Madhya Pradesh, which has the maximum area under this crop followed by Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat.

(c) Soyabean has not been exported during the last two years. However, soya extractions were exported to the extent of 9.38 lakh tonnes during 1989-90 and 12.95 lakh tonnes in 1990-91.

(d) The Government propose to increase the production of soyabeen by providing necessary inputs and services support through the implementation of Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP). Under this programme, financial assistance is provided on the stage-wise multiplication of seeds, distribution of certified seeds, adoption of need based plant protection measures, popularisation of improved farm implements etc. The recent devaluation of the rupee and expanded REP schemes on export of soya products will also make soya products more competitive in the international market and will provide a fillip to production

दिल्ली से रामनगर, उत्तर प्रदेश के लिए सीधी ट्रेन

797. **श्री कपिल वर्मा :** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली से उत्तर प्रदेश में रामनगर के लिए कोई सीधी ट्रेन नहीं है ;

(ख) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि उत्तर प्रदेश के पर्वतीय क्षेत्रों में रह रहे लोगों को ऐसी किसी ट्रेन के उपलब्ध न होने के कारण बड़ी कठिनाईयों का सामना करना पड़ रहा है,

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ऐसी ट्रेन उपलब्ध कराने का विचार रखती है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो कब तक तथा यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) और (ख) दिल्ली और रामनगर के बीच 4055ए/4056ए लिंक एक्सप्रेस में पहुंचे ही एक एक्सप्रेस गाड़ी उपलब्ध है जो दिल्ली मुरादाबाद खंड पर 4055/4056 दिल्ली बरेली एक्सप्रेस के साथ संयुक्त रूप से चलती है।

(ग) और (घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Duties and responsibilities of Inspecting Officer

798. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) what are the nature of duties of Inspecting Officer under the Directorate of Sugar; and

(b) the minimum qualifications prescribed for the said post and the pay attached thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) The nature of duties of Inspecting Officers are given in Statement-I (*See* below)